



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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## Senator Montgomery Welcomes Children's Defense Fund students to Albany

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Senator Montgomery Welcomes students of the Children's Defense Fund to Albany. The Children's Defense Fund (CDF) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit Organization that engages local, state and federal governments to push for policies that improve the overall quality of life for all children throughout the nation. CDF was founded in the 1970s by Marian Wright Edelman, who was a prominent figure in the civil rights movement.

Marian Wright Edelman worked tirelessly for on the civil rights front, she worked closely with Dr. Martin Luther King as his counsel during the historic Poor People's Campaign. Marian was the first African American woman to be admitted to the Mississippi bar. She did not stop there, she continued to fight for African Americans in her capacity as the director of the Jackson, Mississippi NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund.

She founded the Children's Defense Fund with the notion that the fight for our children must continue. The Fund lobbies lawmakers on both side of the isle to collectively come to conclusions that support students throughout the state. The students came up to Albany to advocate for the passage of Senator Montgomery's Solutions not Suspensions bill, **S.767**. Which would establish an uniform Disciplinary Code of Conduct for all students and School Officials within the state to follow. Ultimately, creating a clear and concise process in which students and instructors know what is allowed and what is not, as well as how to go about remedying said infraction.

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#### RELATED LEGISLATION

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### **2019-S767B**

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- Introduced
  
- ◦ In Committee Assembly
  - In Committee Senate
  
- ◦ On Floor Calendar Assembly

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- ◦ Passed Assembly

- Passed Senate

- Delivered to Governor

- Signed By Governor

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Relates to school climate and codes of conduct on school property and disciplinary action following violation of such codes of conduct; and makes conforming amendments

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In Senate Committee [Education](#)

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